UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT High Desert District, Kemmerer Field Office

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DOCUMENTATION CATEGORICAL EXCLUSIONS NOT ESTABLISHED BY STATUTE DOI-BLM-WY-D090-2016-0002-CX

A. Background

Bureau of Land Management Kemmerer Field Office

Case File No.: WYW-089363C

Proposed Action Title/Type: Renewal

Applicant: Northwest Pipeline LLC

Location of Proposed Action: Lincoln County 6th Principal Meridian

T. 21 N., R. 114 W., Section 27: Lot 2.

Description of Proposed Action: Renewal of right-of-way grant for the Shute Creek Meter Station. The grant is 90 feet wide, and 175 feet long, for a total acreage of 0.36. acres.

B. Land Use Plan Conformance

The Proposed Action is in conformance with the following Land Use Plan (LUP):

- Kemmerer Resource Management Plan/Record of Decision (RMP/ROD), Approved: May 24, 2010.
- The Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the Kemmerer Field Office has been amended by the Approved Resource Management Plan Amendments for the Rocky Mountain Region, approved 9/22/2015. The Proposed Action is in conformance with the RMP as amended.

The Proposed Action is in conformance with the applicable LUP because it is specifically provided for in the following LUP decision(s): Goal LR:3, Land Resources Objective LR:2:1.

C. Compliance with NEPA

The Proposed Action is categorically excluded from further documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in accordance with 43 CFR Part 46.210 or 516 DM 11.9, Section E, Realty (9):

• Renewals and assignments of leases, permits or rights-of-way where no additional rights are conveyed beyond those granted by the original authorizations.

This Categorical Exclusion is appropriate in this situation as there are no extraordinary circumstances potentially having effects that may significantly affect the environment. The Proposed Action has been reviewed, and none of the extraordinary circumstances described in 516 DM 2, apply.

D: Signature/s	
Prepared By: Preparer/Title	1-12-16 Date
Reviewed By: Trave Cheuning Reviewer/Title	1-13-16 Date
Reviewed By: Assistant Field Manager	1/13/2016 Date
Authorizing Official: Field Manager	1/13/2016 Date

Contact Person

For additional information concerning this CX review, contact

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Attachments

CX Decision Extraordinary Circumstance to Categorical Exclusions Wildlife Clearance

Decision:

Based on a review of the project described in the attached categorical exclusion documentation and Kemmerer Field Office staff recommendations, it is my decision to implement this action. I have determined that the project is in conformance with the Kemmerer Resource Management Plan/Record of Decision (RMP/ROD), Approved: May 24, 2010.

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Project authorization is subject to mitigation measures identified below:

Non-Sensitive Raptor nesting habitat February 1 through July 31

Administrative Remedies:

Any person adversely affected by this decision may appeal it to the Interior Board of Land Appeals (IBLA), Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 CFR, Part 4. If an appeal is taken, a notice of appeal must be filed in this office within 30 days of this decision for transmittal to the Board.

In addition, within thirty (30) days of receipt of this decision you have the right to file a petition for a stay together with your appeal in accordance with the regulations at 43 CFR 4.21. Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulation, a petition for a stay of decision pending appeal shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards:

- 1. The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied;
- 2. The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits;
- 3. The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted; and,
- 4. Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

Authorizing Official:

William A. Mier Field Manager

Date: 1/13/2016